

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
DOCKET NO. R-164-05-17

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE OF HAWAII

Pursuant to Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Department of Health (DOH) will hold a public hearing for the proposed repeal of Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Title 11 Chapter 164 (Tuberculosis) and adoption of Chapter 164.2 (Tuberculosis). The proposed repeal/adoption updates rules for tuberculosis screening and clearances and expands the list of those who can report on new TB disease cases to the DOH.

Included in the changes, Section 11-157-3.2, HAR (Tuberculosis examination requirements) will be removed from Chapter 11-157, HAR (Examination and Immunization) and included in the proposed Chapter 11-164.2. Anyone interested in changes to the tuberculosis screening and clearance process for grade school children should review the proposed Section 164.2-21 (Tuberculosis clearance requirements for school attendance).

HEARING DATE

The public hearing will be held as follows:

Date: *June 30, 2017*

Time: *10:00 AM – 12:00 PM*

Place: *Oahu - Kalanimoku Building, 1151 Punchbowl Street (live)*

- *Video Conference Center, Room B10 in the basement*

Hawaii – Hilo State Office Building, 75 Aupuni Street (video)

- *Video Conference Center in the basement*

Kauai – Lihue State Office Building, 3060 Eiwa Street (video)

- *Video Conference Center in the basement*

Maui – Wailuku State Office Building, 54 South High Street (video)

- *Video Conference Center, Third Floor*

Molokai – Department of Health, 65 Makaena Place, Room 107 (video)

- *Video Conference Room*

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

All interested persons shall be afforded the opportunity to submit testimony, orally or in writing, on the proposed administrative rules at the time of the public hearing. Persons who are not able to attend the public hearing may submit written testimony to DOH: by mail at TB Control Branch, 1700 Lanakila Avenue, Ground Floor, Honolulu, HI 96817; or by email at tbadminrules@doh.hawaii.gov. All testimony must be received no later than June 30, 2017 at noon.

Any person requiring a special accommodation (e.g., assistance of a sign language interpreter) at the public hearing shall file a request with DOH by email at tbadminrules@doh.hawaii.gov or by calling (808) 832-5737, Tuesdays or Thursdays between 1 pm and 4 pm at least ten business days before the public hearing.

VIEWING OF THE PROPOSED RULES

The proposed rules may be viewed:

- On the internet, free of charge, at DOH's website
(<http://health.hawaii.gov/opppd/proposed-changes-to-department-of-health-administrative-rules-title-11>) or on the Lieutenant Governor's website
(<http://ltgov.hawaii.gov/the-office/administrative-rules/proposed-changes>);
- Via email, free of charge, by making a request to DOH at
tbadminrules@doh.hawaii.gov
- In person, free of charge, at DOH 1250 Punchbowl Street – see guard in lobby
between 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding State holidays;
- Via mailed hard copy if a request is made to DOH at tbadminrules@doh.hawaii.gov
and upon payment of required copying and postage fees.

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